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1. The Russians are becoming increasingly suspicious of the internal security of the Oberspreewerk plant and have increased the plant security force from 20 men to 40 men. Major Cherepnin, the Russian head of the tube development section, was arrested at the plant, at the end of December, by MVD (sic) men, some in uniform, some in civilian clothes. He was accused of being in contact with some foreign power. In this connection eight German employees of the plant are also under suspicion, and have had to submit extensive samples of their handwriting which were compared with some photographs. A Russian woman physicist named Bladnova has replaced Major Cherepnin. Skornyakov (fnu) has arrived to replace Voronkov, the business manager. Podgowska (sic) and Dovietkov, Russian officers, were suddenly recalled to Moscow. The German physicist Nickel, who was working on the metal ceramic triode and recently fled to the American Zone, has been replaced by Dr. Ladoma.
2. The SMA has directed that the electrical industry in the Russian Zone be reorganized so that only one firm concentrates on the production of specific items. Thus a new firm is being set up in Berlin-Adlershof which will make industrial diamonds for wire drawing. All the results of recent experiments in the development of synthetic industrial diamonds at the Oberspreewerk, Osram-Berlin, and Vogel-Köpenick are to be turned over to this firm. The Oberspreewerk is to be the sole manufacturer of tungsten and molybdenum wire and plates, also for rectifiers of all sorts and sizes, and for the coatings (Pasten) that go into radio tubes and electric light bulbs. The radio tube, LD 1, which was made in Erfurt, is now to be made at the Oberspreewerk at the same rate of 50,000 tubes a year. The German Economic Commission is prepared to subsidize the Oberspreewerk to aid in this reconversion.

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be dissolved; the production will be taken over by larger SAGs. The NEF-Werke will be amalgamated with the Oberspreewerk. They will be subdivided into a production unit and an experimental unit. The production will be carried out in the present Oberspreewerk buildings, and the experiments will be conducted in the NEF-Werke buildings, under the direction of the Russian Ministry of Electrical Equipment.

4. The Oberspreewerk has received orders from a Colonel Skryabin of the SMA in Karlshorst to develop and produce the following types of transmitter tubes: RS 720, RS 566, and RS 558. The latter two types of tubes are to be developed by (fnu) Jelitto at Oberspreewerk and Professors Gärtz and Knauer, who live and work in the American Zone.

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